

WHEREAS a Printed Paper has been circulated, signed July, 1795. Thos. Withnall. The Preamble of which asserts, that I have circulated a *complaint* concerning my *accounts*. I must beg leave to say, by way of answer to it, that the *Inditer* of the said Paper is much mistaken. And, I think it will appear to the candid Reader, at first view, that my Appeal to the Public was circulated to prove, that my accounts are just; and that neither *you*, nor any other Person, directly, or indirectly concerned with you in the prosecution against me, have been able to prove the contrary. However, I shall for once give myself the trouble to answer the Queries therein proposed.—

1st. My Accounts were legally signed by two Justices, without fraud or irregularity, as will appear both by the Parish Books, and the Report of Messrs. Nasmith and Hicks, who were appointed by the Court of Quarter Sessions to examine the same.

2dly. When I did shew my Accounts to the Parishioners, I did produce Vouchers to prove the Expenditure of the Money to their Satisfaction; and it may be remarked, that you have not attempted to charge me (in the aforesaid Paper) with embezzling the Parish's money, or making over charges.

3dly. Conscious of mine own Innocence, I did not flinch from an Appeal to the Quarter Sessions; and tho' I was unsuccessful, it does not follow, that I was guilty of any crime—Nor am I the first who have been forced reluctantly into Courts of Judicature without obtaining relief.

4thly. If your Expences have been heavy in the said Prosecution, you either *wantonly* entered into it yourself, or was prevailed upon by others, whose Interest you appear to consider rather your own, if it can be said you have any *Interest* separate from their's.

5thly. So far from wishing you to pay Stanley's Rate, I refused to insert your Name in the Rate till Mr. Atkins insisted, that the Rate would not be legal if it were omitted.—And it is a well-known Fact, that Stanley's Rate is yet unpaid to the amount of 16l. 8s.

6thly. If I have any objections to the Decisions against me, I shall not satisfy you on that subject. I shall not be the first who has solicited a second hearing, and thereby obtained Honourable Redress.

As to those futile Aspersions you have made respecting my Threats, I have only to say, for the information of those who do not know your real Character, that I never said, "*I would Law you while you wanted a pair of Shoes.*"—But I did say, you was a *Rascal*, and that I believed you would die in your Shoes,

N. B. Although the aforesaid Paper is signed Thos. Withnall, I am fully convinced that you did not indite it.—I therefore inform you, that I shall not think it worth my while to take any notice of future Publications signed by you.—If the Author of the Paper alluded to, has any thing further to say on the subject, let him make use of his own name.

JAS. GOODCHEAP.

TO THOS. WITHNALL.

Longstanton, July 18, 1795.